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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

Mike Rahmjoo

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Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 09 May 2005.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-26 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-26 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413) |
| 2) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____ |
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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent, or on an international application by another who has fulfilled the requirements of paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of section 371(c) of this title before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent.

The changes made to 35 U.S.C. 102(e) by the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA) and the Intellectual Property and High Technology Technical Amendments Act of 2002 do not apply when the reference is a U.S. patent resulting directly or indirectly from an international application filed before November 29, 2000. Therefore, the prior art date of the reference is determined under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) prior to the amendment by the AIPA (pre-AIPA 35 U.S.C. 102(e)).

Claims 1- 2, 7- 11, 16- 20 and 23- 24 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Vandevoorde et al (US Patent 6246342), hereinafter, Vandevoorde.

As per claims 1 and 10 Vandevoorde teaches a display including at least one window see for example figure 7 window 39; a database (MMI) including data related to an airport see for example column 8 lines 19- 20; a selector (see for example figure 7 window 40) configured to select from a plurality of different degrees of zoom for an

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airport image to be displayed, the airport image corresponding to the airport, the selector comprising a plurality of zoom buttons configured to display the airport image in the window according to a plurality of predefined zoom degrees see for example figure 7 for the toolbar area with the sliding bar and two buttons corresponding to the plurality of zoom buttons are displayed (a scale button and a plus button for zooming) and column 7 lines 25- 37; a control unit (see for example the system of figure 7 wherein a mouse is used for clicking on various work functions) connected to the display, the database and the selector, the control unit being configured to control the display to display in the at least one window the airport image according to a scale value representative of the degree of zoom (see for example the size in the pull down menu or the plus and the scale GUIs in the work functions area above window 39 of figure 7) selected by the selector see for example figure 7 and display 41 to display the airport image according to the predefined zoom value; and a changing unit configured to change the scale value representative of the degree of zoom see for example column 7 lines 51- 52 for the control windows that allow touch control and lines 60- 67 for the zooming to control the individual lights and the corresponding enlargement and also the plus and scale GUIs of figure 7.

As per claims 2 and 11 Vandevoorde inherently teaches the selector includes at least one zoom button configured to zoom in and zoom out between a maximum zoom value and a minimum zoom value so as to display different detailed views of the airport see for example figure 7 for the zooming to maximum and minimum through the plus and size GUI.

As per claims 7 and 16 Vandevoorde teaches the selector includes a selection mechanism configured to select a portion of the airport such that the portion of the airport is displayed in the airport image on the window see for example figures 12- 14.

As per claims 8 and 17 Vandevoorde teaches the selector includes a displacement button configured to displace a view of the airport being displayed in the airport image on the window in horizontal and vertical directions so as to display other portions of the airport see for example column 4 lines 60- 67.

As per claims 9 and 18 Vandevoorde teaches the control unit is configured to display two different degrees of zoom in a continuous manner such that a change from the first degree of zoom to the second degree of zoom appears continuous to an operator viewing the display see for example figures 7 and 12- 14.

As per claims 19 and 23 Vandevoorde teaches an updating mechanism configured to dynamically update the database according to traffic of airport vehicles including aircrafts or technical vehicles see for example claim 21.

As per claims 20 and 24 Vandevoorde teaches the airport vehicles are displayed on the airport image and identified by a sign, a code or a number see for example column 7 line 46.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the

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subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

Claims 3 and 12 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Vandevoorde in view of Mapquest.

As per claims 3 and 12 Vandevoorde teaches displaying the airport in the window according to a first predefined zoom degree corresponding to general navigation, the airport image corresponding to the first predefined zoom degree including a full display of the airport see for example figures 1- 7 and 9- 10; displaying the airport image in the window according to a second predefined zoom degree corresponding to proximity navigation, the airport image corresponding to the second predefined zoom degree including a plurality of details of the airport see for example column 7 lines 38- 49 for the zoom display of an aircraft position and the movement of the aircraft (proximity navigation) along with airport specific data; and displaying the airport image in the window according to a third predefined zoom degree corresponding to airport details, the airport image corresponding to the third predefined zoom degree including details of the airport required for precision taxiing see for example column 8 lines 24- 30 for the enlargement of the screen for safe taxiing.

However, Vandevoorde does not teach a first, second and third buttons.

Mapquest teaches a first and second and third buttons see for example figure 12 for buttons 1- 10 wherein button 1 is the largest as shown on page 11 with the details to the street and building level and page 2 the smallest which shows the US map to the

continent level.

It would have been made obvious to one of ordinary skilled in the art at the time the invention was made to incorporate the teachings of Mapquest into Vandevoorde to further include plurality of GUIs so as to ease the use of navigation from one display to another with any level of detail desired on a real time basis and therefore make it an efficient and user friendly device.

Claims 4- 6, 13- 15, 21- 22 and 25- 26 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Vandevoorde in view of Takishita (US Patent 6,121,900).

As per claims 4 and 13 Vandevoorde does not teach the display system is installed in a moving vehicle, and the selector includes a centering button configured to automatically reconfigure the display such that the moving vehicle is displayed in a center of the window.

However, Takishita teaches the display system is installed in a moving vehicle, and wherein the selector includes a centering button configured to automatically reconfigure the display such that the moving vehicle is displayed in a center of the window see for example column 2 lines 35- 40 wherein the vehicle position CM is in the center of the screen.

It would have been made obvious to one of ordinary skilled in the art at the time the invention was made to incorporate the teachings of Takishita into Vandevoorde to help the driver of the vehicle recognize the vehicle position and therefore give the driver of a vehicle route guide information whereby the driver can easily arrive at a desired destination and throughout the navigation and therefore make it an efficient and user

friendly device see for example column 1 lines 10- 20.

As per claims 5 and 14 Takishita teaches the selector includes a selection mechanism configured to display predefined portions in a cyclic manner based on selections of the selection mechanism see for example figure 2 wherein the vehicle is shown traveling on the road (predefined path) in the direction of 1- 4(cyclic manner).

As per claims 6 and 15 Takishita teaches a toggle button configured to automatically display in the airport image the entire airport on the window upon selection of the toggle button and to redisplay in the airport image a portion of the airport image being displayed prior to selection of the toggle button upon another selection of the toggle button see for example figure 6 and column 4 lines 25- 37 for the remote control unit with element 15f as the operation screen selection key to select a screen to expand/ reduce thereby show the entire road and the detailed road (portion displayed).

As per claims 21 and 25 Takishita teaches the display device is arranged a vehicle navigation unit see for example figures 1- 4; and the updating mechanism is configured to update the database using digital transmission links between the vehicle and a station located on the ground see for example figure 5 and column 3 line 56 for a GPS and CPU for calculating the position.

As per claim 22 and 26 Takishiat inherently teaches the display device is integrated in a portable computer; and the portable computer is installed in a piloting position in an aircraft see for example the figure 5 for the car navigation unit.

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1- 1- 18 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Conclusion

The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

US PAP 2003/ 0018427 teaches a navigation system for displaying information for guiding a driver of a vehicle which is designed to achieve an easy and efficient operation by a driver for displaying information or changing displayed images with use of a substantially simplified set of control keys which comprises an enter (selection) key functions not only to set and select a menu but also to switch between a map screen and a map zoom screen and a cursor (scroll) key function not only to scroll a map image in the map screen but also to adjust a zoom scale of the map image in the map zoom screen see for example figure 7.

THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL. Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not

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mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this final action.

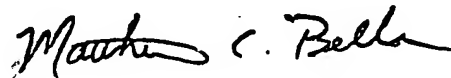
Inquiry

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Mike Rahmjoo whose telephone number is (571) 272-7789. The examiner can normally be reached on 6:30- 3:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Matthew Bella can be reached on (571) 272- 7778. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (703) 872- 9306 for regular communications and After Final communications.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-4357.

Mike Rahmjoo

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Matthew C. Bella". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

May 26, 2005

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